# BY LAST NIGHT'S MAIL

News from Richmond.

RICHMOND, November 18 .- The Congress of the Confederate States met to day. There was barely a quorum present, and an adjournment took place without any buisness having been transacted. The President's message will be sent in to-morrow.

A BRILLIANT EXPLOIT.

Major Martin, of the Natchez (Miss) Cavalry, on Saturday, captured a Captain, Lieutenant and 30 privates, belonging to the 38th New York. The capture was made within two miles of our former position, at Upton's Hill. The enemy lost 4 killed and several wounded. We also took 5 four-horse wagons loaded with corn. Major Martin's command sustained no

THE PORT ROYAL NEWS AT THE NORTH.

Late Northern papers represent the entire North to be greatly jubilant at the Yankee success in capturing Port Royal. The next demonstration will probably be a naval attack upon our batteries at Evansport, which now blockade the Potomac.

AN UNFORTUNATE AFFAIR.

An unforturate surprise of our own scouting parties on the Peninsula, occured on wednesday morning, causing the death of Major Bagley, of Mobile, formerly of Georgia, slightly wounded Capt. Morris in the hand, and wounding Mr. Rodgers so severely as to render the amputation of his leg. Both the latter are from Burke County, Ga. Some few Virginians were also wounded. The remains of Major Bagley are now en route for Mobile. THE VERY LATEST FROM THE NORTH.

Inteligence from Washington states that two more Yankee naval expeditions will soon sail south. This is believed to be all gammon.

The Northern papers report that the C. S. steamer Sumter, Capt. Semmes, has been captured on the coast of Texas by the U.S. war frigate Niagara. An arrival at Boston on the 14th reports that an English steamer has been captured by an U. S. frigate and carried into the port of Key West. The English steamer was bound for the Confederate states, and loaded with arms and munitions of war.

A despatch from Washington, dated the 14th. says that \$2,000,000 worth of cotton had been seized at Beaufort-that the South Carolinians were rapidly coming in and professing "loyalty" to the Government-that preparations are in progress to establish a navy yard at Port Royal, and other balderdash.

#### Another Victory in Missouri.-Formal Secession of the State.

MEMPHIS, November 18 .- The Appeal publishes an extra, announcing that another great battle has taken place at Springfield, Missouri, The Confederate troops were victorious, although the enemy's forces were vastly superior in numbers, including Fremont's celebrated body guard. The loss of the enemy in killed and wounded, was very heavy. Gens. Price and McCulloch are now confident of being able to drive Lincoln's armies out of Missouri.

The Legislature of Missouri, sitting at Neosho, has unanimously passed the Ordinance of Secessson. There was at this time a full quorum present in both houses. This news is authentic, being brought by a bearer of despatches from Neosho, on his way to Richmond-

## The War in Kentucky.

NASHVILLE, November 18.—The Bowling Green correspondent of the Union says, that a gentleman direct from Elizabethtown, Ky., reports that the enemy, about 4,000 strong, had advanced to Bacon Creek. The small pox of a most virulent type, and the black measles, are raging fearfully among the Northern troops at Muldrough's Hill. Large numbers are dying every day. A portion of General Hardee's forces under Col. Claiborne, who were sent to break up the enemy's camps at Tompkinsville, returned to Bowling Green on the 17th instant, the enemy having left two days before the Confederates arrived.

# News from Port Royal—What the Invaders are Doing.

The Savannah Republican of yesterday says: The enemy have made no movement since the capture of Fort Walker, but seem quietly waiting for reinforcements or something else to turn up. From the best information we can gather, they have landed some three thousand men at Fort Walker and about one thousand at Bradock's Point, on the South end of the Island, and while the fleet is still lying at anchor in the Sound, a few of them oasionally make a day visit to Beaufort and return at night. At last accounts the Yankees lad pressed all the negres on the islands which they hold, into service, and were hard at work picking out and ginning the cotton crops.

Of our own movements it would, perhaps, be prudent to say but little. On both sides the Savannah, however, a commendable activity prevails, and we shall be ready to receive the enemy whenever he shall take a fancy to a foot hold on the mainland. Nor are we exactly content with his possession of an island on our coast. For the present however, that possesion must remain quiet and undisturbed. The Charleston and Savannah Railroad is thoroughly guarded from the Savannah to the Ashley.

J. T. HERSHMAN, Editor.

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1861.

From Camp in Virginia.

Lieut. A. BREVARD, of Capt. CANTEY'S Company, returned during the latter part of last week. His principal object, we learn, is in furthering the interest of his Company, the health of which, in common with our other companies from the District, has greatly improved.

#### Message of President Davis.

This short, comprehensive and able State paper was presented to the Confederate Congress, which met in the city of Richmond on the day previous, on the 19th inst. It is a model in every particular, and we think expresses the sentiments of the whole Southern people in regard to the war, and general condition and prosperity of the Confederate States. It will be read with deep interest by the citizens of each State over which he has the honor to preside.

#### Rev. Manning Brown.

We have just learned from a friend, that our talented and patriotic paster of the Methodist Church, Rev. Manning Brown, is zealously engaged in organizing a Company for Col. CHESNUT'S Regiment, and will have his number in a few days. He is a tried soldier, having experienced the fatigue and deprivation of camp life in the Mexican war. We wish him success-but will sadly miss the good teachings we have been accustomed to enjoy on the Sabbath, under the sound of his eloquence. But our loss on the Sabbath at Church and of his genial manner round our hearthstones during the week, will be lessend much, having the consolation that he is laboring elsewhere both for the good of souls and that of his country.

#### Our Day of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer.

The 15th inst, was observed more generally than we ever recollect seecing on similar occasions. The congregations, in the morning, was large-as much so as on the Sabbathand the discources of our clergy appropriate to the day and condition of the country. In the afternoon, the Presbyterian Church was 28. JW Hiatt, filled-by members of all cur Churchesblending their hearts and voices in one common supplication to a Throne of Grace in behalf of our country, its rulers and our soldiers. In the midst of war how pleasing it is to see Christians with one mind-acting and praying for the accomplishment of deliverance-both temporal and spiritual.

## Call for Volunteers.

It will be seen, by reference to an advertisement under our Special head, that our distinguished fellow-citizen, Col. JAMES CHESNUT, jr., has called upon the patriotic citizens of the State to volunteer, for the purpose of acting within our own limits. We are glad to under stand some six companies are now organizing to form part of the Regiment. Although the District has shown such zeal, in the number already gone, we feel confident when our favored son calls it will not be unheeded-as it can be with confidence asserted that, without any disparagement to the many gallant officers South Carolina has sent to the war, none are better fitted for the position of leader, in the battle field or the Cabinet, with talents every way calculated for a military commander. His experience iu Virginia-where his services were highly appreciated by Gen. Beaure-GARD-mark him as the man peculiarly adapted for the position we are glad to see he has

# War News.

The news of the week has been encouraging to the cause of Southern Independence. There has been no advance movement made by McClellan. Our officers and soldiers await their approach, should they come, with that degree of confidence inspired by the justice of our cause, and a sense of strength imparted by their previous engagement.

On our own coast, the invaders have made no further inroads-and we doubt not, should they attempt it, they will find an equivalent to masked batteries, giving them a taste of Caro-

ism. While the quarrel with regard to the renegade FREMONT, and the revelations of Adjutant Thomas' report to Simon Cameron, is calculated to disturb the sleeping hours of old ABE and his cunning, unscrupulous and depraved Secretary-SEWARD.

#### The "Lucas Guard."

We have been furnished with the following correct list of officers and privates of the "Lucas Guard," Capt. L. W. R. BLAIR, by Mr. J. W. GARDNER, Orderly Sergeant of the Company. This list, he says, "only embraces the names of such privates as were present when the Company was mustered into service-many being then absent on furlough; and that the whole number of privates enrolled is ninetyfive, every one of whom are eager to march, as soon as they may receive orders to that effect. The Company has been mustered into the Regiment now being organized by Colonel

OFFICERS.

L. W. R. BLAIR, Captain. B. S. Lucas, jr., 1st Lieutenant. DOVE SEGARS, 2d Lieutenant. FINLEY McCaskill, Brevet 2d Lieutenant. J. W. GARDNER, 1st Sergeant. WM. McSWEEN, 2d Sergeant. H. D. TILLER, 3d Ssrgeant. J. E. HORTON, 4th Snrgeant. Moses Hough, 1st Corporal. ALLEN McCaskill, 2d Corporal. S. L. GARDNER, 3d Corporal. B. S. NEWMAN, 4th Corporal.

1. J J Atkinson, Wm H Atkinson,

J W Bone, U A Blackwell, Jas Bruce, R E Barnes, W J T Bateman, 9. D M Bethune,

10. Jas Brannon, 11. J W Custon, 12. W J Cameron, 13. John Campbell, 14. Thomas P Dunn, 15. Thomas Davis,

16. Jesse DeBruhle, 17. James Douglass, Wesley Daniels, 19. S T Folsom, 20. T D Gardner, 21. J S Gardner,

Amos Hough,

Samson Hough, Ransom Horton, James Hopkins, 27. J E Hargraves, 29. C L Hall,

30. James Hall, 31. Samuel Heron, 32. Colin Jordan, 33. N W Jones, 34. Noel Johnson 35. J E King,

36. G P King, 37. George King, 38. Angus McGoogin, 39. C W McCaskill,

PRIVATES. 40. J H McCaskill, 41. Reddick Mosely, 42. A C Marshall,

44. Wm McLendon, 45. Simeon Mixon, JT Newman, 47. I H Newman, 48. BW Newman, Nelson Newman, Isaac Nichols,

51. A C Norris,

52. B F Outlaw,

43. Daniel McLauren,

 53. Curtis Outlaw,
 54. S F Phillips, 55. J C Pitts, 56. Michael Parker, 57. Wm F Randolph, 58. Thomas Randolph, 59. Andrew Raley, 60. W C Ratcliffe,

62. J E Shirley, 63. Wm Shaw, 64. J Sinclair, 65. John Smith, 66. B J Turner, R J Turner,

61. Ephraim Stokes,

68. J M Tiller, 69. Clenny Tiller, 70. Samuel Webb, 71. H L War, 72. Joseph West, 73. J W Woodham, 74. A N Williams, 75. J C Yarbrough,

76. E N Yarbrough, 77. Samuel Young.

# How our Commissioners were Over-

Late inteligence which we have received, says the Charleston Mercury of the 20th inst., explains how Messrs. Mason and Slidell were taken by the Yankee frigate San Jaciuto. The Commissioners' arrival in Havana, and the nature of their mission was so far from being a secret there, that they received the marked hospitalities of the Captain General of the Island. Immediately upon their arrival, the Consul of Lincoln, one Shufeldt, sent a fast yacht, the Nonpariel, to Key West with the news. Thus the enemy had abundant time to measure all their arrangements for the coup. The Commissioners had taken passage on the royal mail steam packet from Havana to Liv-

On the 9th inst., shortly after leaving the port of Havana, the steamer was boarded by the U. S. man-of-war San Jacinto, under command of Capt. Wilkes, for the purpose of arresting Messrs. Mason and Slidell, with their Secretaries, were brought forcibly off. The party of ladies who acompanied the Commissioners proceeded on their way, and took with them, it is said, the official letters and despatches of the Commissioners. The San Jacinto, Ion the evening of Saturday last, reached Fortress Munroe, whence, it is said, the arrested Commissioners, wil!, by permission of Gen. Wool, send a despatch to our Government on the subject of their capture.

## The War in Virginia.

RICHMOND, Nov. 19.—There was another skirmish near Fall's Church last evening. Our advanced forces took ten of the enemy prisoners, besides killing five or six. Two of our cavalry were killed and two or three wounded. The name of one of our killed is Chichester; the name of the other is unknown.

A letter from Raleigh C. H., dated Nov. 17, says that Gen. Floyd's brigade is now about 4 ina hospitality to unbidden and hated invaders.

From Missouri and Kentucky, the accounts are most cheering for the ultimate recovery of a most cheering for these powerful States from Lincoln's despot- were made prisoners. The enemy's loss was

unknown. It is reported that Col. Croghan, of Ky., was killed in one of these skirmishes, but it needs confirmation.

A locomotive exploded here this afternoon near the Central Depot, killing Nathan Davis, the engineer, and the colored fireman.

# Special Notices.

CAMDEN POST OFFICE.

AFTER TO-DAY, THE CREDIT SYSTEM IS abolished at this office, even till "to-morrow." No letter will be delivered until it is paid for.

Persons having boxes, who wish accounts kept, will be accommodated, by leaving a deposit.

Notice is again given, that no letter dropped in the box is delivered, unless the postage (two cents) T. W. PEGUES, P. M. is paid.

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#### POST OFFICE NOTICE.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE MAILS WILL be closed daily at 8 p. m.

The office will be opened from 8 a. m. to 12 m., aud from 1 to 3 p. m., and for one hour after opening of the mail in the evening. For the mid-day trains, the mails to Richmond and Charleston are closed at 11 a. m.; and for all the other offices at 10 a. m.

Letters dropped into the office for delivery, must beprepaid, two cents each. No letter is delivered unless so prepaid. T. W. PEGUES, P. M.

### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.



HEADQUARTERS, 15TH REG. S. C. V., CAMP LEE, HARDEEVILLE, S. C., Nov. 16, 1861. IN PURSUANCE OF INSTRUCTIONS FROM Brigadier-General Drayton, all absentees connected with the 15th Regsment S. C. V., are requested to report forthwith for duty.

Members of Company D, (Kershaw Guards) are warned that in case they fail to do so-unless prevented by sickness, upon the certificate of a reliable physician-they will be advertised as deserters, and dealt with as the law directs.

By order of Col. DESAUSSURE.

THOS. J. WARREN, Captain Company D., 15th Reg't. S. C. V. November 22

## NOTICE.

MR. H. F. HODSON IS AUTHORIZED TO OPEN my store and stransact all business connected therewith, in my absence.

I am now compelled to sell ONLY FOR CASH, in order to keep a supply of goods on hand. I hope my friends will submit to this arrangement, under the circumstances. As soon as I can make purchases on time, and carry on business I formerly have done, I will open accounts as usual. As this is a matter of necessity with me, I hope it will not estrange from me any of my friends and customers. There is only two ways of acting in this matter—one is to keep my store closed, or open and sell for cash only. I have chosen the latter, and leave it to my friends and customers to sustain me. JOHN J. McKAIN.

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## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.

ALL WHO WISH TO ENTER THE SPECIAL Service for the defence of the State, can report to me at Camden, with such arms as they have-muskets, rifles or double-barrel shot guns. Both Infantry and Mounted Men will be received. Each man will bring with him whatever ammunition he may have. We must promptly rally to the rescue.

By authority of the Governor.

JAMES CHESNUT, jr.

# RAILROAD NOTICE.



ON AND AFTER SUNDAY, 3D OF NOVEMBER, the Passenger Train will run as follows:

Leave Camden 5:20 a.m. Arrive at Camden 4:40 p. m. The Extra Passenger Trains on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday will arrive at Camden 10:20 a. m., and leave at 11:40 a. m.

JAMES JONES, Agent. November 1

## South-Carolina---Kershaw District.

BY WILLIAM M. BULLOCK, ESQUIRE, ORDINARY. WHEREAS, HARMAN SOMMERS APPLIED to me for Letters of Administration on all

and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Adolph Sommers, late of the District aforesaid, These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all, and singular, the kindred and creditors of the said deceas-

ed to be and appear before me at our next Ordinary's Court for the said District, to be holden at Kershaw Court House on the ninth day of December next, to

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